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1. As a result of the reorganization of the Czechoslovak Army, three Signal Regiments were set up:

- 1st Signal Regiment (Otakar Jaros) - Headquarters at Ruzyně
- 2nd Signal Regiment (formerly the 5th Regiment) - Headquarters at Pardubice (051/179)
- 3rd Signal Regiment (training school and military academy) - Headquarters at Nove Mesto nad Vahom (P49/T36)

Signal battalions attached to individual divisions throughout Czechoslovakia are subordinate to these three regiments.

2. The following units are attached to the headquarters of the 1st Signal Regiment:

- WCO school - Signal Regiment
- 1st Company - teletype
- 2nd Company - permanent buildings - telephone and cable
- 3rd Company - radio (this company acts as an independent battalion)
(No information on the 4th to 8th Companies)
- 9th Company - teletype
- 10th Company - radio
- 11th Company - telephone and cable
- 12th and 13th Companies - mechanics' school

3. The staff of the 1st Signal Regiment includes:

- Regiment Commander : Lt J Bohumil Vyskocil
- Chief of Staff : Lt Jm Kadlec
- Chief of Operations : Staff Capt Jm Cvanecara
- Chief of Physical Training : Lt Jm Pribil
- Regional Party Comm. Chief : Lt Jm Svatek
- Battalion and WCOs School Commander : Lt Jm Simunek

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Deputy Commander of NCOs School : 1st Lt fmu Darbujan
 9th Company Commander : 1st Lt fmu Ecer
 10th Company Commander : 1st Lt fmu Adamek
 11th Company Commander : 1st Lt fmu Felle
 12th Company Commander : 1st Lt Ort
 13th Company Commander : Staff Capt fmu Rozsedel

There are 750 men and 100 - 150 officers in the Regiment.

4. The teletype companies are equipped with Hell (H) teletypes which had previously been found only at headquarters of divisions and above. The 9th Company has 50 Hell teletypes. It also has 90 Siemens Hell and Siemens Lorenz teletypes equipped with the Startstop system. It is planned to replace all the old German teletypes with new ones from the USSR. Ten Siemens R teletypes have already been sent to the 2nd Signal Regiment at Pardubice where they are being used for training purposes. The operators trained there will probably be used as instructors after the new teletypes arrive from the USSR.
5. The radio companies are equipped with new Czech Zenich transmitters with a range of 20 km. The radio tubes, from the USSR, are alleged to be true copies of tubes previously obtained from the United States. The 1st Regiment also has 20 German radio cars which are used for tracking down secret underground transmitters. The cars are provided with a transmitter and a receiver.
6. The telephone companies have been equipped with telephones of German, Russian and Czechoslovak origin. With the increasing need for telephones all available sets have been put into use. Telephone companies have been using switchboards of German, Russian and Czech make with 10, 40, 80 or 160 lines. Ade-cables are used but a six strand cable is kept in reserve.
7. The 1st Signal Regiment is equipped with light arms - pistols, submachine guns and rifles. During February and March 1952 the new Czech type-43 submachine guns were replaced by Russian submachine guns with disk magazines in the 1st Regiment. The Czech guns were reportedly also withdrawn from other units.
8. The non-commissioned officers' school of the 1st Regiment at Ruzyně trains radio, teletype and telephone operators and radio mechanics. Women are trained in Prague to operate the large transmitters. Courses in operating radar stations are given in Havlickav Brod (050/64).

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